

## Harrington Park Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes

June 9, 2021, 8:00 pm

Pursuant to Governor Murphy's Executive Orders #107 and 108 ordering Statewide lockdowns, and P.L. 2020, c. 34 permitting public bodies to conduct meetings via electronic means during declared states of emergency, the meeting of the Borough of Harrington Park Environmental Commission scheduled for June 9, 2021, at 8:00 p.m. will be conducted remotely from the electronic meeting platform Zoom.us. Members of the public can join the meeting and participate during public comment period by joining the meeting using the Zoom mobile application on a smartphone or tablet, joining the meeting by laptop with microphone capabilities, or dialing in using a telephone to the Zoom teleconference system. Information on how to join the meeting electronically appears below. Recreation Commission of Harrington Park June 9 at 8:00 p.m. EST  
Link to Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6936944746?Pwd=Nm1BQWFsNjFpT1JmVks3WkQzMydz09> Meeting ID.#: 693 694 4746 Access Code: 08052020

### **CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

#### **Chairman's Announcement**

Kelly opened the meeting at 8:06 pm with the following announcement: In compliance with Chapter 231, Public Law 1975, adequate notice of the scheduled meeting was made. It is posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Center. Copies have been mailed to the BERGEN RECORD, SUBURBANITE, and THE NORTHERN VALLEY PRESS. A copy has been filed with the Borough Clerk, and copies have been mailed to individuals requesting the same.

### **ROLL CALL**

<b>COMMISSION Members</b>	<b>PRESENT</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>
(KK) Patrick (Kelly) Kramer (chair)	X	
(TD) Thomas Donnelly	X	
(JF) Jennifer Fischer	X	
(RH) Robert Hwang		X
(MP) Mahdad Parsi	X	
(AP) Ashley Plescia	X	
(MS) Matthew Saland	X	
(JC) Councilwoman Chung	X	
(LT) Lara Toomin, Recreation Director	X	

### **ADMINISTRATIVE ITEM**

- a. **Approval of Minutes May 12, 2021:** Ashley moved to approve the minutes, second Matt. All in favor. Carried.

Items from the public: Jeff Brockman and Sung Yoo visited and explained that they have started a coffee company. They do not have a brick and mortar shop yet, but they will be at the Farmers Market. They would like permission to sell at the Highland hut in the mornings. People will be

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able to gather for a good cup of coffee and a portion of the sales will go toward helping the Recreation Commission and town make purchases and improvements. They would not want to interfere with the fundraising in the hut by the sports commissions. One important cause for Sung is the health of the trees. The building needs some TLC. They want to bring the community together. After the guests left Joon explained that this has to be done legally—specs have to be created, we have to advertise, and logistics have to be worked out. She will begin work immediately.

### **UPDATES**

**George Street Park Update:** The new wife of the man who was originally responsible for the park is a friend of Ashley's and told her that the Nam Knight was to be involved in cleaning and upgrading the park to honor the little boy in whose memory it was created. Kelly said someone else wants to help as well.

**Powerwashing at George Street:** Ashley's husband has offered to do the job. We are just waiting for an official estimate.

**Sustainable Jersey Grant:** The Environmental Commission suggested that perhaps the Rec commission would want to apply and build a solar-powered scoreboard. The application is due in June. Joon will discuss with the EC Chair.

**Senator Schepisi's office** has emailed to ask for a list of needs.

**We probably have enough money to buy bleachers. We need to discuss. Also discussion about replacing/repairing wooden benches. Tom will look into having someone move one set of bleachers from Pondside to Highland.**

**The CD grant was approved. The grant still has to be finalized by the Freeholders. We want to include wifi and can do the roof with Open Space money. However, the engineer has asked up to wait on the roof.**

**Mahdad asked about Town Day. Tom suggested including sports stations. Kelly, Mahdad, and Tom will create a committee. Several people suggested moving the date away from 9/11, even though a remembrance ceremony is planned to be included.**

**Fishing Derby:** several people met at 7:30. Jen and Marti will work the event. Tom will also help. Kelly will get the fish. Joon will ask Charles or Tom Gleason to help. Tom will get the bait; Jen will get prizes—especially for little kids.

Kelly moved to adjourn, second Tom. All in favor. Meeting adjourned 9:27 pm.

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**NEXT MEETING**

Next regularly scheduled meeting is June 9, 2021, at 8:00 pm